

The Intervale Center's mission is to strengthen community food systems. Burlington City Council 149 Church Street Burlington, Vermont 05401

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Dear Council Members,

The Intervale Center would like to submit the attached Land Management Plan to the City Council for approval. In 2007, the Intervale Center purchased 232 acres of land, (179 of which was purchased from the City), and conveyed the development rights and a perpetual conservation easement on the entire parcel to the Vermont Land Trust, the Vermont Housing and Conservation Board, and the Vermont Agency of Agriculture. The City of Burlington retained a one percent ownership in this parcel.

By the terms of our easement and our MOU with the City of Burlington, the Intervale Center is required to draft a land management plan, to be reviewed and updated every ten years. The attached document is that management plan. The next full plan would be submitted for adoption in 2020. In the meantime, as with our agreement with other easement holders any substantial new developments in Intervale land use and management would be communicated to the City.

The issues raised in regard to composting activity in the Intervale and the nature of agricultural development in the Intervale flood plain and flood way are substantially resolved and there is clarity now in moving forward. Having progressed toward resolution with these issues, working with City Planning and Zoning office, we are confident that the attached management plan will appropriately guide our management of this land for the next decade.

Please let us know if there are any questions we can answer for you in regards to this plan.

Sincerely,

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